

REMARKS

In a telephone interview initiated by the Examiner on June 16, 2003, the Examiner suggested that the grounding plate shown in Figure 5 be provided with a reference numeral and explicitly discussed in the specification. The grounding plate 12 has already been identified in connection with Figures 6 and 7, and therefore this reference numeral has been used in Figure 5 as well.

The Examiner also suggested that arrows indicative of the current flow be shown in Figure 5, and such arrows also have been added in that figure.

Editorial revisions in claim 1 were discussed at the interview to make clear that the antenna elements disclosed and claimed in the present application are arranged in the manner of the spokes of a wheel, and to make clear that those elements radiate, relative to the center axis, so that the respective element beginnings are closer to the center axis (but not necessarily connected to the center axis) than are the element ends. Claim 1 has been amended consistent with the discussion in the interview.

Claim 1 also has been amended to make clear that the antenna elements are at least magnetically coupled with each other in the antenna.

For the reasons already discussed in previous submissions, Applicants submit that all claims of the application are patentable over the teachings of the references relied upon by the Examiner. Early reconsideration of this application is therefore respectfully requested.

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